

Esquire, had a majority of votes. Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that the honourable John Thomas, Esquire, is duly elected president of the senate.

Mr. William Sanders Green was appointed assistant clerk, and qualified, by taking the oaths of fidelity and support to this state, the oath of office, and subscribing a declaration of his belief in the Christian religion, and also by taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States.

Mr. Edward Roberts was appointed messenger, and qualified as such.

The following message was prepared, read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate having a sufficient number of members to form a house, inform you that they are ready to proceed on the business of the session.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

WE have received your message, and are ready to proceed immediately to the election of a governor, and have appointed Mr. Wilson and Mr. Jones to join such members as may be appointed by your house to examine the ballots. John Henry, Esquire is put in nomination by this house.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read:

The following message was prepared, read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have received your message, and are ready to proceed in the election of a governor, as proposed by you. We have appointed David M'Mechen and Robert Milligan, Esquires, to join the gentlemen named by you to examine the ballots. No gentleman is nominated by this house in addition to John Henry, Esquire.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

The senate, having previously qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the election of a governor. The ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee of the senate appointed to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after the examination of the ballots returned and reported, that the honourable John Henry, Esquire, is elected.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that the honourable John Henry, Esquire, is duly elected governor of Maryland.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers to the clerk of the senate the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

THE office of register of wills for Calvert county being vacant by the death of Francis King, we propose, with the concurrence of your house, to go into an election immediately. Mr. Joseph Wilkinson is nominated by this house to fill the said office, and we have appointed Mr. Hall and Mr. Angier, in conjunction with any members nominated by your house, to examine the ballots.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

The following message was prepared, read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 13, 1797.

GENTLEMEN,

IN answer to your message, we agree to proceed immediately to the election of a register of wills for Calvert county. David M'Mechen and Robert Milligan, Esquires, are appointed by this house to join the gentlemen named by you to examine the ballots. No person is put in nomination by this house in addition to the gentleman named in your message.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

The senate then proceeded to the election of a person to be commissioned as register of wills for Calvert county. The ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, sealed up, and delivered to the committee appointed by the senate to meet the committee of the house of delegates, who retired to the conference room, and after the examination of the ballots returned and reported, that Joseph Wilkinson was unanimously elected.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that Joseph Wilkinson be recommended by the senate to be commissioned by the governor as register of wills for Calvert county.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, November 14, 1797.

THE senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except the honourable John Thomas, Esquire, president, who is indisposed.

The senate then proceeded to the election of a president, pro tempore. The ballot box being prepared, the ballots were deposited therein, and on examination thereof it appeared, that the honourable John Chesley, Esquire, had a majority of votes.

Whereupon it is declared in the senate, that the honourable John Chesley, Esquire, is duly elected president, pro tempore.

The proceedings from Monday the sixth, to Monday the thirteenth, inclusive, were read.

The following message was prepared, read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

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